VINTAGE FORECAST 1953.

(Figures for 1952 are shown in parenthesis)

Preliminary details of the present vintage have been obtained from 50 Wineries whose output of Wine last season represented 98% of the total production. From this source it is estimated that the 1953 vintage will approximate 24,500,000 (26,800,726) gallons of Wine for Beverage and Distillation.

Fortified Beverage Wine is estimated at 8,300,000 (9,630,614) gallons. Unfortified at 2,000,000 (2,009,950) gallons and Distillation at 14,200,000 (15,160,162) gallons.

The River Murray Districts included in grand total are estimated to yield 7,600,000 (9,644,395) gallons.

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